MYSORE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

NOTE ON THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN MYSORE STATE FOR THE WEEK ENDED THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1940.

A total of 2 attacks with nil deaths from Plague was returned during the week against 4 attacks with 2 deaths in the previous week. Cities of Bangalore and Mysore and Kolar Gold Field Area continued to remain free from the disease. Comparative figures for the corresponding weeks in 1939 and 1938 were 7 attacks with 7 deaths and 8 attacks with 3 deaths, respectively.

A total of 39 attacks with 11 deaths from Small-pox was reported from three villages of Tarikere Taluk, Ajjampur Town, Hunsur Town, Shimoga Town and from the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore and Kolar Gold Field Area.

Six attacks with one death from Cholera were reported from a village Arkalgud Taluk.

The State remained free from Influenza and Relapsing Fever.

The total mortality for Bangalore City amounted to 146 (24 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 34·1 (28·5 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 23·0 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths numbered—3 under Small-pox, 1 under Malaria, 1 under Typhoid, 5 under other Fevers, 4 under Phthisis, 23 under Dysentery and Diarrhœa and 109 under all other causes. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under all other causes and Dysentery and Diarrhœa.

During the week, the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, returned 81 deaths (13 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 28·4 (23·8 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 26·9 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths were—Small-pox 4, Malaria, Broncho-Pneumonia 2, Pneumonia 10, Phthisis 1, Dysentery and Diarrhœa 15, and all other causes 48. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under Pneumonia and Dysentery and Diarrhœa.

The total mortality for Mysore City was 73 (23 in hospitals), representing a calculated death-rate of 29·4 (20·2 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 40·7 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths were—Small-pox 5, Malaria 1, Typhoid 2, other Fevers 1, Phthisis 5, Dysentery and Diarrhœa 7, and all other causes 52. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under Small-pox and Phthisis.

There were 55 deaths (11 in hospitals) from all causes in Kolar Gold Field Area equivalent to a calculated death-rate of 34·6 (27·7 excluding hospital deaths) per mille of population as against 26·3 for the corresponding week of last year. Classified according to causes, the deaths numbered—1 under Small-pox, 1 under Malaria, 10 under other Fevers, 1 under Phthisis, 9 under Dysentery and Diarrhœa, and 33 under all other causes. The reported mortality was high due to increase in deaths under other Fevers and Dysentery and Diarrhœa.

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